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Applicants : Raymond L. Houghton et al.
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DIAGNOSIS OF BREAST CANCER

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2002, please extend the period of time for response two months, to expire on, January 2, 2003. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2002, Applicants hereby elect Group V, claims 8 and 9 drawn to a method for stimulating an immune response in a patient, treating cancer, or inhibiting the development thereof, in a patient comprising the administration of a composition comprising a polypeptide or a fusion protein, classified in class 514, subclass 2, and SEQ ID NO:475, for examination at this time.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel non-elected claims 1-7 and 10.

Please cancel claims 8 and 9.